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DEPT ALSO FOR ALL AFRICAN DIPLOMATIC POSTS

LONDON FOR HAVERKAMP; PARIS FOR MELONE

FROM ASST SECY EASUM

1. THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT CONCERNING THE US ROLE REGARDING SOUTH AFRICA'S INTERNAL POLICIES REPRESENTS THE CONSENSUS OF THE SIX US AMBASSADORS, THE TWO CONSULS GENERAL AND MYSELF, MEETING TOGETHER AT THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN MINICOM SESSIONS HELD IN LUSAKA NOVEMBER 5-6.

2. QUOTE THE TALK OF BASIC CHANGE IN THE INTERNAL POLICIES OF SOUTH AFRICA AND US ABILITY TO INFLUENCE CHANGE MUST BE VIEWED  
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WITH CAUTION. NONETHELESS, WHILE US LEVERAGE WITH THE SAG IS LIMITED,

IT MAY NOT BE AS LIMITED AS WE THINK IT IS, PARTICULARLY AFTER OUR RECENT PARTICIPATION IN THE VETO OF ITS EXPULSION FROM THE UN. THE SAG VALUES ITS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE US AND MAY REALIZE THAT IT NEEDS US MORE THAN WE DO IT. FOR THESE REASONS WE BELIEVE:

A. THAT WE SHOULD CONTINUE OUR PRESENT POLICIES OF MAKING CLEAR, IN PARTICULAR, OUR UNEQUIVOCAL AVERSION AND OPPOSITION TO SOUTH AFRICA'S RACIALLY DISCRIMINATORY APARTHEID POLICIES, OUR CONTINUATION OF THE ARMS' EMBARGO, BAN ON NAVAL VISITS, EX-IM BANK LIMITATIONS, AND LIMITATIONS ON TRADE AND INVESTMENT PROMOTION; AND

B. THAT WE SHOULD WEIGH IN MORE HEAVILY AND BROADLY WITH THE SAG, WHEN WE HAVE A BASIS AND INTEREST FOR DOING SO, IN AN ATTEMPT TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO ALTER AND IMPROVE THEIR RACIAL POLICIES TO THE END THAT THERE WILL BE SIGNIFICANT MOVEMENT TOWARD EQUAL ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND SOCIAL OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL RACIAL GROUPS. UNQUOTE.  
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